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FOR PM DIRECTOR GELB FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OTRA (GELB, LESLIE H.) PARM IR
SUBJ: SALT BRIEFING FOR THE SHAH

REF: STATE 011657

1. I WAS DELIGHTED TO RECEIVE REFTEL CONFIRMING YOUR
AVAILABILITY TO BRIEF THE SHAH ON SALT FEBRUARY 6.
AUDIENCE HAS BEEN SET FOR 1130 THAT DAY.

2. BOB MARTIN, OUR POL-MIL COUNSELOR, WILL MEET YOU
UPON ARRIVAL. ARIETTI ALSO INVITED TO STAY AT
RESIDENCE.

3. BEST TIME FOR A TRIP TO ISFAHAN WOULD BE FEBRUARY 4.
THERE IS AN EARLY MORNING FLIGHT (IRAN AIR 274) WHICH
DEPARTS TEHRAN AT 0715 AND ARRIVES ISFAHAN AT 0755.
IT IS THEN POSSIBLE TO RETURN FROM ISFAHAN EARLY THAT
EVENING ON FLIGHT IRAN AIR 210, WHICH DEPARTS ISFAHAN
AT 1900 AND ARRIVES AT TEHRAN AT 1940. IT IS NOT
CONVENIENT TO CONSIDER STAYING OVERNIGHT IN ISFAHAN
BECAUSE THE FIRST DEPARTING FLIGHT FOR TEHRAN
FEBRUARY 5 IS NOT UNTIL 1035. WE UNDERSTAND YOU
CAN GET TICKETS FOR ISFAHAN TRIP IN WASHINGTON, BUT
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WOULD BE GLAD PURCHASE THEM HERE IF YOU WISH.

4. SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5 THERE IS A 0900 STAFF MEETING,
AFTER WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A SESSION WITH YOU
WITH THE DCM, THE CHIEF, ARMISH/ MAAG AND POL-MIL
COUNS FOR PERHAPS AN HOUR. FOLLOWING THAT CARMISH
(MGENT GAST) AND POL-MIL COUNS WOULD GO WITH YOU TO

ARMISH/MAAG FOR SOME MORE SPECIFIC BRIEFINGS/
DISCUSSION OF THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. AFTER
AN INFORMAL NO HOST LUNCH AT THE OFFICERS CLUB I WOULD
REJOIN YOU FOR A 1400 MEETING WITH GENERAL TOUFANIAN.

5. OTHER MEETINGS WITH MISSION PERSONNEL CAN BE FITTED
IN AROUND FIRM APPOINTMENTS NOTED ABOVE DURING
REMAINDER OF YOUR TIME IN TEHRAN. I PLAN A SMALL
DINNER FEBRUARY 6 (RATHER THAN LARGER RECEPTION)
BECAUSE IT IS EASIER IN TERMS OF INFORMAL DISCUSSION.
DCM WILL DO THE SAME FEBRUARY 5; UNFORTUNATELY I HAVE
ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT THAT EVENING.

6. LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU EARLY IN FEBRUARY.
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